

1 19. A notify cancel AV/C command data packet used to cancel a pending notify  
2 command at a target device, wherein the notify cancel AV/C command data packet is sent from  
3 a controlling device to a target device while the pending notify command is pending at the target  
4 device, and further wherein when a target device receives the notify cancel AV/C command data  
5 packet while the pending notify command is pending, the target device cancels the pending notify  
6 command.

1 20. A network of devices coupled together comprising:  
2 a. a controlling device configured to send a cancelling command to cancel a pending  
3 notify command; and  
4 b. a target device including:  
5 i. an interface circuit configured to communicate with the controlling device  
6 to receive the cancelling command from the controlling device; and  
7 ii. a control circuit coupled to the interface circuit to cancel a pending notify  
8 command if the cancelling command is received from the controlling  
9 device while the pending notify command is pending.

1 21. The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the cancelling command  
2 is a status command sent while the pending notify command is pending.

1 22. The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the cancelling command  
2 is a duplicate of the pending notify command sent while the pending notify command is pending.

1 23. The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the cancelling command  
2 is a notify cancel command sent while the pending notify command is pending.

1 24. The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the target device is  
2 coupled to the controlling device over a network substantially complying with a version of the

3 IEEE 1394 standard.

1 25. The network of devices as claimed in claim 20 wherein the cancelling command  
2 substantially complies with a version of the AV/C protocol.

1 26. A network of devices coupled together by a standard IEEE 1394 serial bus  
2 comprising:

3 a. a controlling device in communication with the standard IEEE 1394 serial bus and  
4 configured for sending a cancelling command over the standard IEEE 1394 serial  
5 bus; and

6 b. a target device in communication with the standard IEEE 1394 serial bus and  
7 configured for receiving the cancelling command and cancelling a pending notify  
8 command if the cancelling command is received while the pending notify  
9 command is pending.

1 27. The network of devices as claimed in claim 26 wherein the cancelling command  
2 is a status command sent while the pending notify command is pending.

1 28. The network of devices as claimed in claim 26 wherein the cancelling command  
2 is a duplicate of the pending notify command sent while the pending notify command is pending.

1 29. The network of devices as claimed in claim 26 wherein the cancelling command  
2 is a notify cancel command sent while the pending notify command is pending.